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### FROM WILLIAMSVILLE

The picnic at the White Sulphur Spring was quite a success. People were there from all points of Bath and every one seemed to have a good time. Dancing by the young people was kept up until a late hour. The rain was the only thing which interfered with one's pleasure, several heavy showers falling in the afternoon.

Rev. Robt. Fultz was installed pastor of the Presbyterian church here the 4th Sunday in June. The committee of installation consisted of Revs. Trimble, of Monterey, Thomas, of Windy Cove, and Young of McDowell. Rev. Mr. Thomas preached the installation sermon, and a most excellent one it was. Rev. Mr. Trimble delivered the charge to the pastor and Rev. Mr. Young to the congregation, both good in their way. In the afternoon Mr. Trimble preached to a large congregation, after which the Lord's supper was administered. Quite a large crowd was present at both services. Mr. Fultz comes to this church from a field in W. Va.

Mrs. Frank Coursey returned last week from a visit to friends and relatives in Charlottesville and Albemarle county.

Miss Ida Wright, of Yost, is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Chambers Burns and Mrs. Lacy Burns this week.

Mr. Blaine Marshall, of Mt Grove, is over on a visit to friends and relatives, the first he has made here since his removal to that section. Mrs. Blaine Marshall leaves in a few days to visit her old home in Buchanan, W. Va.

Visitors are arriving daily at the All Healing White Sulphur. A party of eleven arriving the last of the week. Mr. Wandless, the obliging proprietor, has built an addition to the hotel and can accommodate more guests this season than he has ever accommodated before. The hot and cold baths are inducement to visitors.

Miss Ella Wallace accompanied by her father left Monday for the Martha Jefferson Sanatorium where she will remain several weeks. Mr. Wallace returned Thursday.

Miss Margaret Ervine is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Samuel Ervine.

Misses Imogen and Norma Michell are also guests of Mrs. Ervine.

Mrs. Sallie Francisco Ervine returned home last week from Crabottom, where she has been teaching for the past five months. She likes the blue grass section of your country so well that she will return there this winter.

Miss Jean Cowles, of Clifton Forge, who was the guest of the Misses Wallace last week returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. S. McClintic accompanied by her daughter Miss Mary, and her son Robert, left Saturday for Deerfield to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. John W. Montgomery, who died very unexpectedly Friday morning.

We see a great deal printed in the newspapers of adjoining counties about the new railroad that is to come into this "uninhabited wilderness," according to these newspaper correspondents, and bring life, liberty and happiness to the few benighted inhabitants thereof. This road is to be engineered by the well known W. C. Craig, of Deerfield, assisted financially by W. D. Stokes of New York. The railroad fever has been so often reported in this part of the country and has never materialized that one is naturally inclined to be rather skeptical concerning it. When the last rail is laid and the first engine is run, we may believe we have a railroad.

Mrs. J. H. Marshall entertained a fishing party last week, consisting of Mr. Devenner, wife, child, and father. They were so well pleased with their sport that they will return here Tuesday of this week from the White Sulphur and fish again for several days.

Mrs. Jno. Francisco has decided to take summer visitors this season. All who enjoy fishing, hunting and boating will find this a pleasant spot in which to spend the hot days of summer.

Harvesting is over here and wheat seems to be good. The wet weather, immediately after the wheat was shocked, interfered with the curing of the grain. Several of the farmers had to tear down their shocks and spread out the sheaves to dry.

### WAR AGAINST CONSUMPTION

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### FROM McDOWELL

McDowell, Va., July 14.—The wheat crop has been gathered and farmers say there is a good crop and of fine quality.

Mr. Crawford and wife, of Staunton, spent Sunday at the hotel.

Miss Jessie Wamsley, of Randolph Co., is visiting relatives here. G. C. Fifer and his little niece, Ruth Lewis, of Staunton, are spending a few days in town.

Chas. Alexander is quite ill at this writing.

Mr. Wallace, his nephew, Floyd Wallace, and Mr. Cooper, of Wallingford, Conn., who have been spending several weeks with Chas. Alexander, left Monday.

Virgil Hidy, who has been in Baltimore for some time, came home Tuesday.

Supt. J. L. Jones and Misses Nettie Bryant and Ida Quidore left this morning for the Normal at Covington.

Miss Marie Crummett, of Monterey, visited Miss Maggie Peterson last week.

The musicale given by Mr. Wallace and friends for Chas. Alexander's benefit, at the home of J. J. Hiner, was a treat to all lovers of music.

Last Wednesday morning, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Armstrong received a telegram saying their son, Pearl, was seriously injured at Bloomington, Ill. On Thursday morning, another message stated he had died at 2 a. m. They wired at once to ship the body home, which arrived here at noon Saturday, accompanied by Miss Agnes Armstrong, sister of the deceased, and her friend, W. J. Ervine, an undertaker of Lexington, Ill. The funeral services were held at McKendree church on Sunday morning, conducted by Revs. Roane and Young. His remains were laid to rest in the graveyard at that place, followed by the largest gathering of friends and relatives ever seen at that church.

From what we can learn, the cause of his death was as follows:

He was conductor on an inter-urban trolley line, and in shifting cars, he took hold of the brake to check or stop the car, and the brake being defective, he fell from the car taking the brake with him, and was run over by other cars. The traction company is responsible for his death by putting a defective car on the tracks.

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By far the most important event educationally in the Summer School and perhaps in Virginia and the South during the present summer will be the Rural Life Conference to be held at the University, July 13th to 18th, inclusive. The practical problems of rural improvement will be considered each day and night by the most noted experts in the country. It is to be hoped that men and women from all sections will avail themselves of this opportunity. Nothing like it has ever occurred in the South.

Write to the director of the Summer School for information.—Univ. Va. Summer School Items.

### AN ORDER.

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Highland county, held at the Court house thereof, the following order was entered, to-wit:

"Be it enacted by the Board of Supervisors of Highland Co., Va., in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of Va., approved March 14th, 1906, that on and after the 27th day of July, 1908, it shall be unlawful for any person to run any traction engine over that part of the Staunton and Parkersburg Road in Highland county, for the purpose of hauling freight, as such use of said road is considered by the Board to be an improper and exceptionally injurious use thereof. But nothing in this order shall be construed to prohibit the moving of threshers and saw-mills, when said road is dry.

Any one violating the provision of this enactment shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punishable by a fine of not less than \$5, nor more than \$100 for each offense."

J. Clifton Matheny, Clerk of Circuit Court, and ex-officio Clerk of Board of Supervisors.

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### FROM ILLINOIS.

Lexington.—We are having fine weather at this time, and some of the farmers are laying their corn by.

The 4th of July was celebrated here and attended by a large crowd.

Wm. Siron, who is working near Chatham, spent his Fourth in Lexington.

Among those who spent the 4th in Bloomington were Price, Will and Jos. McCoy, Nathan Leach, Martin, Floyd, Cameron and Orion Siron, and Walter Armstrong. They left on the noon train Saturday and returned Sunday evening. They report a nice time and a large crowd.

Floyd Siron, who had the misfortune to break his collar bone, is able to be at work again.

Hampton Bodkin is on the sick list.

The boys that came to this country are getting along nicely.

Luther B. Siron, who has been here for the last eighteen years, is farming 240 acres, with Martin Siron working for him.

### JUMPING TOM.

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

The undersigned will receive bids until noon of Aug. 3, 1908 for the construction of the three sections of the Crabbottom and Alleghany Mountain Road, extending from the turn in the road below Martin Jack's house, in Crabbottom, across the Lantz mountain and up Middle mountain to the top thereof, along the survey made by C. L. Waggoner and other commissioners. The road will be as a whole or in sections to suit the bidders. The road will be built and bids received according to the specifications surveyor's field notes, filed with the report of survey in the Clerk's office. Further information will be given by the undersigned.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

C. L. WAGGONER,  
WM. HEVENER,  
Commissioners.  
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### A FAMOUS DUEL.

The Fatal Meeting Between Commodore Barron and Decatur.

On March 22, 1820, was fought one of the most memorable duels in the annals of the United States. Commodore Decatur and Commodore Barron met on the fatal field near Bladensburg that day. Both participants were wounded, Decatur mortally, dying within a few hours after the encounter. The causes which led to the ill feeling between these two naval heroes have never been accurately determined, but it is generally supposed that Decatur's harsh criticism of Barron on account of the latter not returning from abroad to take part in the war brought about the breach. Certain it is that Decatur's words were repeated to Barron, and a correspondence between the two ensued, which probably resulted in the challenge. The impending duel was kept a profound secret. Only a few of the most intimate friends of the respective participants had even an inkling of it. Decatur was the first to arrive upon the scene. He was accompanied by Commodore Rodgers and Porter and several other friends. Barron arrived a few minutes later. The combatants bowed stiffly to each other and stood waiting for their friends to measure off the ground and make the final arrangements.

"I hope, sir," said Barron, as they took their places, "that when we meet in another world we shall be better friends than we have been in this."

Decatur is said to have haughtily regarded his adversary a moment and then replied:

"Sir, I have never been your enemy." A moment later the word was given, and two shots rang out simultaneously. Barron fell almost immediately. Decatur straightened himself, but the pistol fell from his grasp, and in a moment he was upon the greensward writhing in agony. He was raised by his friends and carried nearer the road, where Barron was lying.

"I wish I had fallen in the service of my country," Decatur muttered, whereupon Barron looked up.

"Everything has been conducted most honorably," he said. Then, turning his eyes upon Decatur: "I am mortally wounded. Commodore Decatur, I forgive you from the bottom of my heart."

As Decatur was being lifted into a carriage Baldrige, whom Decatur had once rescued from a Moorish prison, stooped down and kissed his cheek.

With his head upon Rodgers' shoulder and in company with a physician, Decatur was driven slowly back to the city and carried into his residence on Lafayette square, where he died a few hours afterward.

The news of the duel spread like wildfire through the city. The following day John Randolph offered consolatory resolutions in congress, which, however, were promptly objected to, and the press rigorously denounced the practice of dueling.

Barron ultimately recovered from his injury, but it is said the memory of the fatal duel darkened his life ever afterward. He lived until the year 1851 and had charge of several vessels. At his own request he was court-martialed upon the charges made against him by Decatur and exonerated.—Exchange.

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## SLUG AND SNAIL LORE

Queer Old Traditions That Cluster About the Gastropods.

### A CURE FOR WARTS AND AGUE

Drastic Remedies That Must Have Proved Speedily Mortal to the Unfortunate Snails—A Telepathic Theory That Was a Dismal Failure.

It is probable, though—bearing in mind the extent and profundity of the learning considered necessary for "every schoolboy," provided he is educated at other people's expense—one does not like to dogmatize, that slugs and snails were among the very earliest natural history subjects we were taught. The teaching, we may remember, was conveyed in the classical form of question and answer. "What?" we were asked, "are little boys made of?" And the querist, almost always of the nurse or governess persuasion, supplied the answer with unmistakable relief. "Slugs and snails and puppy dogs' tails" were, we were informed, the ingredients which went to the composition of the soaring human boy. It was doubtless the memory of the indignity rather than any righteous zeal against the foes of the flower garden that induced us for some time after-ward invariably to squash or otherwise destroy every slug and snail that our youthful eyes lighted on.

As a matter of fact, however, a good deal of interesting old world lore clusters about slugs and snails; though considerably more about the latter than the former. That, however, is of the less importance, inasmuch as naturalists tell us the slug is practically a snail which wears its shell under its skin, though possibly the definition may be taken exception to from a scientific standpoint. It is worth remarking that, whereas everybody knows slugs are considered a table luxury in several countries, nobody seems to wax ecstatic over slugs if we except the beche de mer, or sea slug, over which as prepared in the far east some writers have risen to poetical eloquence. The Romans used to fatten their edible snails on bran soaked in wine, and it is said, with a considerable emphasis on the "said," they attained such an abnormal size that the shell of one was reported to have a capacity of ten quarts.

Indirectly snails may be held to add still more largely to our supply of nourishing food, inasmuch as the famous Dartmoor mutton is said to owe its excellence of quality and flavor to the myriads of tiny snails eaten by the sheep as they browse on the short grass. It is a little disconcerting after this to read the old naturalists' dictum that the snail is "a worm of slime and always foul and unclean; is a manner snake and is a horned worm." Moreover, if any one troubled with warts will secure a snail, pierce it with many times as the unsightly excrescences number and then impale the hapless snail on a thorn tree as the creature dies the warts will disappear. Equally deserving the attention of the S. P. C. A. is a provincial cure for ague, which consists in putting a live snail into a bag and wearing it around the neck for nine days. It is then to be thrown into the fire, when it is said to shake like the ague, and after this the patient is never troubled with the tedious complaint.

"Stamped and mixed sometimes with cheese, lye and rennet, snails do draw out thorns if they be applied to the place." Lupton assures us, while the horns carried on the person insure the bearer's virtue. It is to be assumed that some at least of these drastic measures prove speedily mortal to the snails, though really some of the stories of their longevity and recuperative powers make one hesitate to dogmatize too positively.

And the snail is not without its quasi mystic attributes. Very widely spread is the childish "charm" by which it is adjured to put out its horns—"Snail, snail, come out of your hole or else I'll beat you as black as a coal." Sometimes a bribe is substituted for the threat, and "bread and barleycorns" are promised as an inducement to "show your horns." In Scotland it is said that the prompt obedience of the snail indicates that fine weather may be expected. In some places to catch a snail by its horns on the 1st of May and throw it over the left shoulder insures good luck.

Possibly one of the queerest ideas that have ever been promulgated about snails was that which gravely proposed to utilize them for the purposes of telegraphy, or, more strictly perhaps, telepathy. Snails, it was alleged, were excessively sympathetic. Two of them were put together for presumably efficient time to bring them thoroughly in rapport, and the intending operators arranged their code. One of these went to New York with one snail and the other to Paris with the second. When the gentlemen in either capital wished to communicate with his friend, at an hour agreed upon, he put his snail on a dial marked with the characters of the code and moved it from one to the other till his message was spelled out, and the snail in the other capital would, impelled by the mysterious sympathy, of its own accord indicate on a corresponding dial the message letter by letter! That was the beautiful theory that was doomed to dismal failure.—London Globe.

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WEDNESDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1908,

offer for sale at public auction, in front of the courthouse of said county, the following described tracts of land, of which Capt. J. C. Matheny lately died seized, to-wit:

1st. The dwelling house and lot in Monterey consisting of the three lots of the plan of said town, to-wit, Nos. 54, 55 and 56.

2nd. A lot of about 7 1/2 in said town adjoining the lands of James Trimble and others.

3rd. A farm lying on Back Creek in said county described in said decree as four adjoining tracts which lie contiguous to each other, containing respectively 96 acres, 1 rood and 36 poles, 10 acres; 3 acres and 3 roods, and 41 acres. The several tracts constituting this farm are embraced in an inclusive survey, containing 175 acres, more or less.

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J. W. STEPHENSON,  
A. L. JONES,  
J. M. COLAW,  
CHAS. P. JONES,  
Commissioners.

I, J. Cliff Matheny, Clerk of said Court, hereby certify that the bond required in the above mentioned decree has been executed.

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